GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LAW AND JUSTICE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4170
ANSWERED ON:11.08.2016
High Courts and Benches of High Courts
Dubey Shri Nishikant

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of High Courts and Benches of High Courts along with jurisdiction thereof in the country;

(b) the details of the requests received from various State Governments for setting up of separate High Courts/Benches of High Courts along with the action taken thereon, State/UT-wise including Jharkhand; and
(c) the time by which the said separate High Courts/Benches of High Courts are likely to be set up in the country, State/UT-wise?

Answer

ANSWER
MINISTER OF STATE FOR LAW AND JUSTICE AND ELECTRONICS AND
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

(SHRI P.P. CHAUDHARY)

(a) : A Statement showing the details of the High Court and their Bench(es) in the country is at Annexure.

..2/-

(b) & (c) : In accordance with the recommendations made by the Jaswant Singh Commission and judgment pronounced by the Apex Court in W.P.(C) No.379 of 2000, Bench(es) of the High Court are established after due consideration of a complete proposal from the State Government, which is to provide infrastructure and meet the expenditure, along with the consent of the Chief Justice of the concerned High Court, which is required to look after the day to day administration of the High Court and its Bench. The proposal should also have the consent of the Governor of the concerned State.

Requests for establishment of High Courts/High Court Benches in different parts of the country have been received from various sources including some State Governments. However, at present there is no proposal complete in all aspects pending for consideration by the Central Government including the State of Jharkhand.

Article 214 of the Constitution provides that there shall be a High Court for each State. Accordingly, every State is entitled to have their own High Court. However, the States are require to create and provide all the necessary infrastructure facilities such as, Court Buildings, Quarters for the Judges, court officials and staffs. The State also have to meet all the expenditure for setting up and running of the High Court.

***

Annexure
Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.4170 to be answered on 11.08.2016

Sl. No.	High Court Principal Seat	Jurisdiction	Permanent Bench and Date from which the Bench began functioning
1	Allahabad	Allahabad	Uttar Pradesh Lucknow (01.07.1948)
2	Andhra Pradesh & Telangana	Hyderabad	Andhra Pradesh and Telangana -
3	Bombay	Mumbai	Maharashtra; Goa; Daman & Diu; Dadra & Nagar Haveli; Nagpur (01.05.1960) Panaji (01.07.1948) Aurangabad (27.08.1984)
4	Calcutta	Kolkata	West Bengal & Andaman & Nicobar Islands _
5	Chattisgarh	Bilaspur	Chattisgarh -

6 Delhi New Delhi NCT of Delhi -
7 Gauhati Guwahati Assam, Nagaland, Mizoram, & Arunachal Pradesh. Kohima, (10.02.1990)
Aizawl, (05.07.1990)
Itanagar (12.08.2000)
8 Gujarat Sola (Ahmedabad) Gujarat -
9 Himachal Pradesh Shimla Himachal Pradesh -
10 Jammu & Kashmir Jammu & Srinagar Jammu & Kashmir -
11 Jharkhand Ranchi Jharkhand -
12 Karnataka Bangalore Karnataka Dharwad (24.08.2013)
Gulbarga (31.08.2013)
13 Kerala Ernakulam (Kochi) Kerala & Lakshadweep Islands -
14 Madhya Pradesh Jabalpur Madhya Pradesh Gwalior (01.11.1956)
Indore (01.11.1956)
15 Madras Chennai Tamil Nadu & Pondicherry Madurai (24.07.2004)
16 Orissa Cuttack Orissa -
17 Patna Patna Bihar -
18 Punjab & Haryana Chandigarh Punjab, Haryana & Chandigarh -
19 Rajasthan Jodhpur Rajasthan Jaipur (31.01.1977)
20 Sikkim Gangtok Sikkim -
21 Uttarakhand Nainital Uttarakhand -
22 Manipur Imphal Manipur
23 Meghalaya Shillong Meghalaya
24 Tripura Agartala Tripura